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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 2, lines 27 – 28 with the following amended paragraph:

[7] S. Dedieu, P. Moquin, "*Method for Broadband Constant Directivity Beamforming for Non Linear and Non Axi- Symmetric Arrays Embedded in an Obstacle*", US Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0120532.

Please replace the paragraph on page 5, lines 1 – 4 with the following amended paragraph:

As described in co-pending US Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0120532, linear or quadratic constraints can be added to impose a specific pattern to a beam, to reduce the coupling between the microphone beam and a loudspeaker or to keep the beam constant vs. frequency or vs. angle when the obstacle is not axi-symmetric.

Please replace the paragraph on page 5, lines 8 – 10 with the following amended paragraph:

According to the present invention, a method of spatial filtering of a microphone array is provided in which the distance between microphones (or sensors) is greater than $\lambda/2$ (where λ = acoustic wavelength).